CONCORDIA COUNCIL ON STUDENT LIFE

Minutes of a Meeting Held in Room H-769, SGW Campus, at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 15 November 1983.

PRESENT:

Dr. R. Breen, Chairman; Mr. B. Counihan; Dr. E. Enos; Mr. T. Fenwick; Ms. J. Gellert; Mr. P. Gott; Ms. M. Lashley; Ms. M. Lattela; Mr. P. Senez; Mr. O. Sher; Ms. A. Shore; Mr. A. Sproule; Dr. R. Swedburg; Mr. D.L. Boisvert, Recorder.

ABSENT:

Mr. M. Bellmare; Mr. A. Rochette; Mr. A. Saikaley; Dr.

M. Taylor.

GUESTS:

Ms. R.-M. Charpentier; Rev. M. Terho; Ms. K. Zinckewich-Peotti.

Chairman's Remarks

83-11-1

- a) Fonds de dépannage: As a result of his earlier letter to the Québec Ministry of Education complaining of the low allocation to Concordia from this year's Fonds, Dr. Breen reported that an additional \$26,000 had been assigned. This brings the Ministry's total contribution to \$44,000. On a question from Ms. Lashley, it was noted that the selection committee chaired by Ms. Morey, International Student Advisor, will handle all details of the disbursement of funds, and make appropriate recommendations.
- 83-11-1-1
- b) Members of Council will receive invitations for the annual holiday season get-together, to be held on 15 December.

Approval of the Agenda

83-11-2

Ms. Lattela MOVED and Mr. Counihan SECONDED that the agenda for Council's present meeting be approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of 11 October 1983

83-11-3

Mr. Sproule MOVED and Ms. Lashley SECONDED that the minutes of the meeting of 11 October 1983 be approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Business Arising from the Minutes

83-11-4

A) Report on the Child Care Centre

Ms. Charpentier, Director of the Child Care Centre, gave a brief presentation. Also in attendance were the President of the Centre's Board, Ms. Zinckewich-Peotti, and the Student Services representative on the Board, Rev. Terho.

83-11-4-1

The Centre, located in the old Masonic Temple (corner St. Marc and Sherbrooke), has been in existence since 1973, and incorporated since 1981. It is operated year-round, and has a capacity of 43 children. The Centre also operates as a kindergarten, in which students from the University's Early Childhood Education programme do internships.

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The Centre receives a child subsidy from the Québec Government, as an operating cost, of \$3.50 per child per day. The fees charged to parents are on the basis of a sliding scale, and range from \$220 to \$280 per month. Priority in the allocation of places is as follows: children previously at the Centre, siblings, children of students (25), children of faculty/staff (4).

83-11-4-3

The Centre's services are available to persons from both Campuses of the University. Dr. Breen thanked Ms. Charpentier.

Report on the 1983 Orientation Programme (CCSL 83-11-D1)

83-11-5

Mr. Gott tabled an interim report on this year's orientation programme. The various activities comprising the academic component of the programme were reviewed. Mr. Gott identified two areas which, in the opinion of the organizers, were problematic this year: 1. the lack of publicity in terms of reaching incoming new students; and 2. the lack of cooperation between the Registrar's Services Department and CUSA troubleshooters on the registration floor.

83-11-5-1

Mr. Sproule noted the poor turnout for the Campus tours, and asked whether these were worthwhile -- especially in light of the fact that staff in the Guidance area were assigned to be on hand in addition to normal duties. Mr. Gott indicated that some 130 students all told participated in the Campus tours.

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On the financial aspects, Mr. Gott noted that the figures contained in the report were only estimates, and expressed the hope that Council would be generous in its annual contribution.

Report from the Priorities & Finance Committee (CCSL 83-11-D2)

83-11-6 Mr. Boisvert spoke to the report.

Mr. Counihan MOVED and Mr. Gott SECONDED that CCSL authorize the transfer of \$4,000 to CUSA as its contribution to the 1983 academic orientation programme, which monies are to come from the Student Services cumulative surplus. MOTION CARRIED.

Update/Report on Bill 32

For the information of Council members, Mr. Counihan reported briefly on the status of Bill 32, the Québec law which deals with the accreditation of student associations. Though the law is voluntary, opposition to the initial project was very strong, and universities and many student groups still consider the law an unwarranted nuisance in many ways. By the 90-day deadline of 21 September, some thirty student groups from cegeps and universities had applied for accreditation.

83-11-7-1 CUSA and the GSA have opted not to avail themselves of the law, and Mr. Fenwick detailed CUSA's position in this matter.

Reports from the Directors

- Dr. Enos distributed material on various athletics activities. Of note was the fact that the Loyola High School gym is now available, on the basis of a facilities-sharing agreement, for intramural programmes.
- Mr. Counihan reported on the launching of the annual University Christmas basket drive and the organization of the annual arts & crafts fair at SGW. As well, Campus Ministry is involved in a food distribution programme for needy international students.
- Mr. Sproule reported on the various new and on-going programmes in Guidance. Of note is a special women's programme in reference to job/career anxiety. Many University groups are requesting special job search programmes, and additional funds may be needed for this purpose.

New Business

83-11-9 There were no items of new business.

Date, Time and Place of Next Meeting

83-11-10 The next meeting of Council will be held in late January on the Loyola Campus.

MEETING TERMINATED.